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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.705(d), Applicants hereby request that the Patent Term Adjustment be set at 470 days. Applicants attach a copy of a Petition for Patent Term Adjustment under 37 CFR § 1.705(b) which was timely filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office via facsimile on December 10, 2004, but which was incorrectly entered by the USPTO as "miscellaneous incoming letter" and was never considered. Because of the PTO's error, not only was applicant not granted the additional 171 days of patent term adjustment requested in the December 10, 2004 Petition (making the total 470 days), but Applicant was improperly charged with an additional 54 days of delay as a result of the PTO mis-characterizing of its Petition.. Applicant requests that the December 10, 2004 Petition for Patent Term Adjustment be considered and granted, the fee for this petition be

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waived and the erroneous 54 day delay be removed so that the total patent term adjustment is 470 days.

Respectfully submitted,

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1. APPLICATION FOR PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.705, Applicants hereby request reinstatement of 171 days of the term reduced pursuant 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(b). This request is being filed with the payment of the issue fee and is accompanied by the fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.18(e)+(f). The facts supporting this request are set forth below.

Statement of the Facts

1. The patent term adjustment for examination delay

A copy of the Patent Term Adjustment sheet for this application is attached as Exhibit A. As correctly indicated thereon, the USPTO delay is 470 days. The above-identified patent application was filed under 35 U.S.C. § 111(a) on March 13, 2001. Fourteen months from the date the application was filed under 35 U.S.C. § 111(a) was May 13, 2002. A Non-Final Rejection, under 35 U.S.C. § 132, was mailed on August 26, 2003 (see Exhibit A). The date of the Non-Final Rejection was 470 days beyond 14 months from the date the application was filed under 35 U.S.C. § 111(a). Thus, Applicants submit that the correct patent term adjustment is 470 days.

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2. The relevant dates for which adjustment is sought

Adjustment is not sought for additional delay on the part of the USPTO, but for an incorrect charge of delay to the Applicants. The Patent Term Adjustment sheet (Exhibit A) incorrectly indicates that the Applicants' delay is 176 days, and deducts this period of delay from the patent term adjustment due. This delay appears to be due to the filing of an allegedly late Response to the August 26, 2004 Non-Final Rejection on May 20, 2004 (see Exhibit A).

While the Patent Term Adjustment sheet (Exhibit A) shows the Response to the August 26, 2003 Non-Final Rejection as being filed on May 20, 2004, a review of the Detailed Image File Wrapper Summary, attached hereto as Exhibit B, shows that Applicants, in fact, filed a Response to the August 26, 2004 Non-Final Rejection on December 1, 2003. However, the USPTO lost the December 1, 2003 Response through no fault of the Applicants. As a result, the Examiner never received the December 1, 2003 Response. On May 20, 2004, after a discussion with the Examiner, Applicants forwarded copies of the December 1, 2003 Response and the necessary proof of the December filing to the USPTO (see Transmittal Letter, attached hereto as Exhibit C). Thus, the period of delay on part of the Applicants is 5 days, judged from the December 1, 2003 Response filing date, not 176 days. It is inequitable to charge the Applicant for the USPTO's actions in misplacing the Applicant's properly filed Response.

3. Terminal disclaimer

Date: December 10, 2004

The present application is not subject to terminal disclaimer.

4. Representations regarding reasonable efforts

With the exception of the 5 day delay noted above, to the undersigned's knowledge, there were no circumstances constituting a failure to engage in reasonable efforts to conclude processing or examination of this application as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.704.

Respectfully submitted,

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